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## AN ORDINANCE CREATING AN ANIMAL WELFARE/CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD.

Sponsored By: Councilman Ken Fleming 7th District

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT [THE COUNCIL] AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION I.** A new section of the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government Code of Ordinances is hereby created as follows:

## ANIMAL WELFARE/CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

- **A.** There is hereby created an Animal Welfare/Control Advisory Board (the "Board") for the purpose of:
  - 1) studying best practices in the area of animal welfare and control; and
  - 2) identifying and assessing community needs; and
  - 3) developing public/private partnerships; and
  - 4) seeking resources and appropriate public/private funding sources; and
- 5) providing leadership and knowledge to develop and make comprehensive plans; and
  - 6) assisting Metro Government with community awareness.
- **B.** The Board shall be composed of nine (9) members who shall be appointed or designated as follows:
- 1) The Mayor shall appoint six (6) members whose qualifications shall be as follows:

- a) One (1) member who is also a member of the Louisville Veterinary Medical Association who shall have experience in providing care to animals and with animal control issues;
  - b) Three (3) members who are residents of Jefferson County, Kentucky;
- c) Two (2) members recommended by animal welfare or control organizations within Jefferson County, Kentucky, except that these two members shall not be members of the same animal welfare or control organization;
- 2) The Director of the Metro Animal Services Department, or his/her designee, shall be a member;
- 3) The Chief of the Metro Louisville Police Department, or his/her designee, shall be a member;
- 4) The President of Greater Louisville, Inc., or his/her designee, shall be a member:
- **C.** The terms of the Mayor's initial appointees shall be staggered so that the terms of three (3) members shall expire December 31, 2007, and the terms of three (3) members shall expire December 31, 2009. Thereafter, the Mayor's appointees shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years or until their respective successors shall be appointed.
- **D.** The Mayor's appointees shall not require the approval of the Metro Council. The Mayor shall make his initial appointments within fourteen (14) days of the effective date of this ordinance.
- **E.** The Board shall establish its own operating rules and procedures which shall not be inconsistent with this ordinance.

**F.** The members of the Board shall elect officers from the Board's membership who shall be a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer and who shall serve for terms as provided by resolution of the Board. The Board may elect or appoint other officers as it deems necessary to carry out its functions and duties.

**G.** The Metro Animal Services Department shall provide staff support and all other necessary support to the Board.

**SECTION II.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

Kathleen J. Herron Metro Council Clerk	Jim King  President of the Council
Jerry E. Abramson Mayor	Approval Date

## APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Irv Maze Jefferson County Attorney	
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